

**Governor's Committee on Aging
September 20, 2007**

Minutes

Attending - Tami Wahl, Governor's Office, Marty Heller, Amy Clark, Diane, Bonnie Bieber, Linda, Frederick Baker, Kelly Wentz, Ray Siver, Larry Wagner, Elaine Keepseagle

Frederick Baker opened the meeting

Introductions were made

It was suggested that we invite Shelly Peterson or Richard Rathge to the next meeting.

We will ask the RASPA's to include information about the GCOA in their newsletters. We need to try and get the word out about GCOA. Use press releases, community calendars, move meeting around the state.

Agenda Item 2 -

Reviewed the goals for 2007, Approved as written, moved by Ray , second by Kelly, Passed

Linda commented on #4 in the goals. She is proposing using DHS resources to conduct a Senior Center Research project.

Larry suggested using a Graduate Student to help with topics

Agenda Item 3 -

Rules of order, Kelly moved, Ray second, Passed

Agenda Item 4 -

Linda Wright gave the report from Aging Services, please see attached.

#3 on the report - grant was submitted 2 weeks ago

#4 - there has been an increase in the number of people using the program

#5 - Stakeholder meetings - All are encouraged to attend,

#7 - Minutes from the Budget Committee on LTC can be mailed to members

#8 - Linda will get copies to everyone of LTC studies since 1987

#9 Senior Info line will now be called 'Aging and Disability Resource Link - a direct link to ADRC

Agenda Item 5 -

We will discuss specific plans for the Forums on Aging at the next meeting.
We will plan for Forums in 2009

The motion was made to postpone the Forums till 2009 - motion passed

Agenda item for next meeting will be to discuss the history of how the Forums are planned and the expectations of the members.

Agenda Item 6 -

Amy Clark was nominated as the new Chairperson, Kelly made the motion, Ray seconded it

Ray Siver was nominated as the new Vice - Chairperson, Kelly made the motion,

Frederick Baker was nominated to be Historian, Amy made the motion, Ray seconded it

Bonnie Beiber was nominated for Secretary, Ray made the motion, Amy seconded it

Motion was made to cease nominations and vote on nominations. All voted in favor.

Bonnie requested the Committee look at buying a recorder and transcribe the minutes. The motion was tabled.

Ray discussed criminal background checks on volunteers and suggested that GCOA take a position. Ray will draft a letter for our approval. Letter to be included in the minutes.

Larry suggested we make the background checks an educational process to inform senior centers how to perform the checks.

Question was raised, is this a link to fraud and identity theft?

Ray asked to have someone from Medicaid speak to the GCOA to discuss Medicaid recovery.

Kelly Wentz resigned from the Committee, but will continue to participate until someone is named in his place. Thank you for your commitment to the seniors of North Dakota.

Next meeting was suggested as November 9th

Update to minutes - **Next Meeting Date will be November 16th**